



CHECKLIST FOR  
PETITION FOR ALIEN BROTHER OR SISTER

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Use of this checklist will help you prepare your I-130 correctly and will expedite processing of your I-130 petition.

Print Full Name of Petitioner

- I-130 (Petition for Alien Relative):**
  - Print legibly using block letters.
  - The address in B.2 and C.2 should be your **physical address, not a mailing address.**
  - Complete all blocks. If not applicable, enter "Not Applicable" or "NA"
  - Dates must be listed in month/day/year format; March 20, 2007 should be written at **3/20/07**.
  - Petitioner must sign at Section E.**
- G-1145 – E-Notification of Petition Acceptance**
- Required FEE of \$420.00 "New"**
  - Payment may only be made by the following.
    - By Credit Card by downloading the Department of Homeland Security Credit Card Payment Form on <http://london.usembassy.gov/dhs/uscis/i130filing.html>
    - U.S. Cashier's Check; U.S. Dollar Money Order; or International Bank Draft in U.S. Dollars made payable to: U.S. DISBURSING OFFICER (*make sure you print name and address of petition on reverse side of the check*)

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*<http://london.usembassy.gov/dhs/uscis> provides our address for regular and special delivery mail/post.*

Print Full Name of Your Alien Brother or Sister

- Supporting Documentation:**
  - Very Important - Do not send** original documents with the petition! Photocopies are acceptable. Only submit the documentation that is required by this checklist. **Do not submit extraneous documentation, tenancy agreements, photos, bank/tax statements, etc. Extraneous documentation will be returned to petitioner. Do not** place documents in plastic protectors or binders, or labeling each document with a post-it-note.
  - Official Translations.** Documents in any language other than English must be accompanied by an accurate English translation. The translator must certify that he or she is competent to translate from the foreign language into English and that the translation is complete and accurate.
  - Proof of UK Residence:** The U.S. citizen must provide evidence that he/she has permission to live and work in the United Kingdom. Submit a copy of one of the following:
    - Appropriate UK Entry Clearance Stamp(s); OR
    - If Dual National, EU Passport photo page; OR
    - U.S. Military PCS orders assigning you to the UK.
  - Proof of US Citizenship:** You must submit a photocopy of one of the following:
    - Valid US Passport biographic photo page ONLY; OR
    - State-issued Birth Certificate; OR
    - Naturalization Certificate
  - Marriage Certificate:** Please provide a marriage certificate issued by a public authority to show that a public record exists of the marriage between you and your spouse. A copy of your marriage license or marriage certificate signed only by a minister or justice of the peace is not acceptable.
  - Divorce Decree(s) or Death Certificate(s):** Please provide a death certificate or divorce decree (absolute or final) issued by a public authority to show that a public record exists of the death or of the termination of all prior marriage(s).
  - Record of Name Change:** If either you or the person you are filing for is using a name other than that shown on the relevant documents, you must provide legal documents that effected the change; e.g. marriage certificate, adoption decree, court order or within the UK, a Statutory Declaration which has been executed under the Statutory Declarations Act of 1835.
  - Long Form Birth Certificate:** You must provide a copy of both your birth certificate and your sibling's birth certificate showing the names of both parents.
  - Self-Addressed Stamped Envelope:** Please enclose a first class self-addressed stamped envelope.

## ORDER OF DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED

You should submit your I-130 package in the following order with all documents STAPLED firmly together.

- On top** – Checklist for Petition for Alien Brother or Sister
- Credit Card Payment Form; Cashier’s Check, International Bank Draft or Money Order;
- G-28 – Notice of Entry of Appearance as Attorney or Representative (*only if applicable*)
- G-1145 – E-Notification of Application/Petition Acceptance
- I-130 – Petition for Alien Relative
- Petitioner’s proof of U.S. Citizenship (**photo page** from U.S. passport, Naturalization certificate, birth certificate);
- Petitioner’s proof of residence in the UK (UK Entry Clearance Stamp, EU passport **photo page** (if dual national) or PCS orders (if U.S. active duty military)
- Statutory Declaration of 1835 for change of name in UK or Court Order for petitioner and beneficiary (*if applicable*)
- Marriage Certificate
- Translated marriage certificate (*if applicable*)
- Divorce decree(s)/death certificate(s) for all prior marriages (*if applicable*)
- Translated divorce decree(s)/death certificate(s) for all prior marriages (*if applicable*)
- Long Form Birth Certificates for both you and your sibling showing names of both of your parents.
- First class self-addressed stamped envelope